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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7409

BILL NUMBER: SB 493

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 16, 2003

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Home and community based services.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Server

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED:

**GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: Pending

Summary of Legislation: Establishes the CHOICE account for the purpose of providing services under the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled program (CHOICE). Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to establish a home and community based long term care service program and establishes eligibility for the program. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning (OMPP) to apply for: (1) a waiver to exempt individuals using Medicaid home and community based waiver services from lien recovery; (2) a waiver to amend the aged and disabled waiver to include any service offered by the community and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled (CHOICE) program; (3) a waiver to amend Medicaid waivers to include spousal impoverishment protection provisions that are at least at the level of those offered to health facility residents; (4) a waiver to amend the state Medicaid plan to include personal care services; and (5) a waiver to have funds follow an individual transitioning from a health facility to home and community based services. Specifies protections an individual receiving Medicaid waiver services must have. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to have self-directed care options available for CHOICE individuals and Medicaid waiver individuals who choose self-directed care services. Requires the area agencies on aging to determine CHOICE eligibility for individuals on the CHOICE waiting list and establishes time frames for the determinations. Requires an individual eligible for CHOICE, beginning July 1, 2005, to receive CHOICE services within 60 days. Establishes the home and community based long term care transition account.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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